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## Fire Suppression Interim Committee

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### DRAFT AGENDA

#### Fire Suppression Committee

#### Bitterroot River Inn, Hamilton

#### April 28-29, 2008

*\*\*Please note: Times are approximate. Some agenda items may take more or less time than is indicated.*

#### April 28

- 10:00      **Call to Order, roll call, approval of minutes**
- 10:15      **FSC Q & A with Forest Service, BLM, DNRC**  
            >Tom Tidwell, Regional Forester, USFS Northern Region  
            >Dave Bull, Forest Supervisor, Bitterroot National Forest  
            >TBA, BLM and Phil Gill, Fire Management Officer, BLM  
            >Bob Harrington, Forestry Division Administrator, DNRC
- 12:00      **Break**
- 12:35      **Bitterroot National Forest perspective**  
            Dave Bull, Forest Supervisor, Bitterroot National Forest
- 1:00        **Biomass utilization**  
            Dr. Kristiina Vogt, Professor of Ecosystem Management, College of Forest Resources, University of Washington
- 1:45        **Mitigation in the WUI**  
            Steve Woodruff, Deputy Director, Western Progress - Northern Region
- 2:15        **Forest Health in the Bitterroot**  
            Sonny LaSalle, Big Sky Coalition
- 2:45        **Fire History and Ecology of Montana Forests**  
            Dr. Steve Arno
- 3:30        **Break**
- 3:45        **Public comment**
- 5:30        **Recess**

April 29

- 9:00            **Call to Order, review day's activities**
- 10:30           **Load buses for tours**
- Tours:  
                 >Hayes Creek fuel reduction projects  
                 >French Basin  
                 >Middle East Fork Bitterroot River
- 1:30            **Return to Bitterroot River Inn, adjourn**